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The Honorable Arnold Schwarzenegger  
Governor of California  
State Capitol  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Governor Schwarzenegger:

On behalf of the California Inspection and Maintenance Review Committee (IMRC), I am pleased to present you with the results of an IMRC Consumer Information Survey.

Our survey randomly sampled 566 consumers whose vehicles had recently failed a Smog Check inspection. The survey found that there is no difference in the ease with which consumers obtain a Smog Check whether or not they were directed to a Test-Only station. This is good news given the very significant number of vehicles that are directed to Test-Only stations each month.

The data also indicates that a majority of income-eligible motorists fail to use the Consumer Assistance Program (CAP). We identified 18 percent of our respondents as eligible for the program; only 14 percent of this group received CAP assistance. At this time, we do not know the causes for the low CAP participation rate.

We hope that this information proves useful as we strive to improve air quality through California's Smog Check program. If you have any questions, you may contact our Executive Officer, Rocky Carlisle, at (916) 322-8249.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Victor Weisser'.

Victor Weisser, Chairman  
California Inspection and Maintenance Review Committee